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HEHERSON T. ALVARE Secretary

SUBJECT: CREATION OF A TECHNICAL WORKING GROUP TO DRAFT POLICIES FOR COASTAL AND MARINE RESOURCES CONCERNS

In the interest of the service, a Technical Working Group (TWG) to tackle policy requirements related to integrated Coastal Resource Management (CRM) implementation is hereby created. The TWG shall be composed of representatives of the following offices:

- 1. Office of the Undersecretary for Local Government
- 2. Coastal and Marine Management Office
- 3. Ecosystems Research and Development Bureau
- 4. Environmental Management Bureau
- 5. Forest Management Bureau
- 6. Land Management Bureau
- 7. Mines and Geosciences Bureau
- 8. Protected Areas and Wildlife Bureau
- 9. National Mapping and Resource Information Authority
- 10. Planning and Policy Studies Office
- 11. Foreign Assisted and Special Programs Office
- 12. Natural Resources Management Program/ Eco Governance Program

In addition, Technical Assistance (TA) teams of existing DENR programs such as TETRATECH EMI, Inc. and Development Alternatives, Incorporated (DAI) shall act as exofficio members of the TWG.

The Technical Working Group shall have the following functions:

- 1. Review and assess existing policies related to CRM Implementation
- 2. Identify policy gaps that hinder CRM implementation
- 3. Harmonize conflicting ENR sectoral policies
- 4. Draft policy issuances to address policy gaps that have been identified
- 5. Conduct policy studies to facilitate and/or expand areas of implementation

The Secretariat of the TWG shall be the Office of the Executive Director, Coastal and Marine Management Office (CMMO). Expenses to be incurred in the conduct of activities of the TWG shall be charged against CMMO, NRMP and EcoGovernance Program funds.

This order shall take effect immediately and shall remain in force unless revoked in writing.

Recommending Approval:

MANUEL SANCHEZ

Undersecretary for Local Government

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